

"PICNIC TIME"



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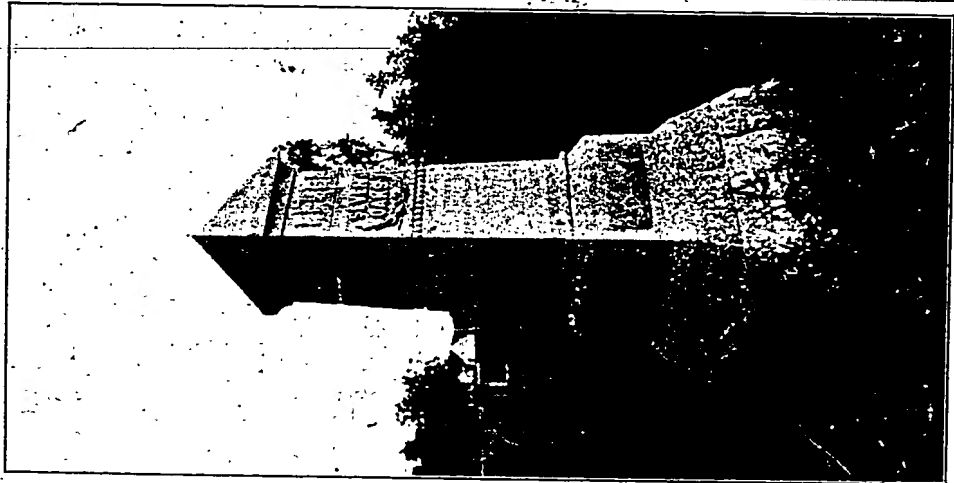
THE Winnipeg, Selkirk & Lake Winnipeg Railway Company is in a position to reserve accommodation for excursions on its trains running from Winnipeg to Selkirk Public Park. This Park is a beautiful one, heavily treed, and has a large pavilion, boats for hire, playgrounds, etc., and we have no hesitation in saying that as a picnic ground it cannot be excelled. The Park is a public one and there is no charge for the use of it.

The trains are operated by electricity, the cars are commodious and comfortable and the trainmen will be found attentive and courteous. There are separate smoking and toilet rooms on the trains.

Starting from the car barns on Main Street North, this road runs for about twenty miles through one of the oldest, if not the oldest, settled districts in Western Canada. Passing through a prosperous farming and



market-gardening community, one catches glimpses of old stone farmhouses and tree-shadowed stone churches; while here and there "A link of the long red chain" of the Red winding into view varies the landscape and makes the trip pass quickly and pleasantly. The scene is also of historic interest, as it was settled one hundred years ago by the little band of Scotchmen sent out by Lord Selkirk to make their homes on the banks of the Red River.



Shortly after leaving the Winnipeg station, in a clump of trees and bushes east of the roadway, will be seen a stone monument erected in the year 1891 through the generosity of the Countess of Selkirk by the Manitoba Historical Society to commemorate the battle of Seven Oaks. This shaft marks the spot where, in 1816, Governor Robert Semple and twenty of his officers and men fell in a battle between representatives of the Northwest Fur Company and the Selkirk colonists at a time when the great rival fur companies were struggling for control of the fur trading privileges of the west, and when the Northwest Fur Company was endeavoring to expel Lord Selkirk's settlers from the Red River Valley.

A little further on the train passes Kildonan Park, which is the site of the new Exhibition Grounds; then after a short run through a pleasant country, reaches Lower Fort Garry. This stone-walled fort is the pro-

perty of the Hudson's Bay Company and contains the Company's stores. It is a sister fort to the Fort Garry which formerly stood where the present Fort Garry gate is in Winnipeg, and a highway, called "The King's Road," ran between the two forts along the river. The electric trains now follow this highway for some distance.



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At Selkirk Public Park, Mrs. Williams, who has leased the catering privileges, carries a stock of fruit, candy, ice cream, etc., and is in a position to cater to the largest excursion party at reasonable rates.

Selkirk is a thriving business community, and the main streets amply repay a visit. There is considerable shipping to the Lakes; large Lake boats may frequently be seen at the Selkirk docks. The Dominion Fish Hatchery, where hundreds of thousands of fish are hatched and sent to restock Lake Winnipeg, is situated in the town, and proves of great interest to visitors.

The regular return fare to Selkirk is eighty cents for adults and forty cents for children, but the Company grants low special rates for excursions.

Full particulars will be given upon request.

Address: Excursion Department,
Winnipeg, Selkirk & Lake Winnipeg Ry. Co.
218 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg.

After May 1st.:

Corner Notre Dame and Albert St., Winnipeg.

Téléphone Main 9580



Extract from a letter received. Approximately 600 people were carried on this excursion.

Manitoba Government Telephones.

Winnipeg, August 10, 1912.

Mr. Phillips,

Mgr. Wpeg., Selkirk and Lake Wpeg. Ry.,
City.

Dear Sir,—

On behalf of the committee in charge of the Manitoba Government Telephone picnic, held on August 7th, and the employees of the Manitoba Government Telephones, we wish to thank you for the splendid accommodation furnished us by your Company in way of transportation to and from the Selkirk Picnic Grounds.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) W. McCLENNAN,
Secy.-Treas.

